### SERMONS ON THE CRISIS.

THE PRESIDENT FREQUENTLY PRAISED.

BISHOP POTTER, DR. SAVAGE, DR. HARSHA AND OTHERS COMMEND HIS CALMNESS,

COURAGE AND WISDOM. Sermons on the present crisis in the relations of this country and Spain were heard in a number of pulpits yesterday. Expressions of praise for and confidence in the President were frequent. Some of the preachers were outspoken for immediate action, but the majority favored patience and moderation. Some of the clergyment who paid high tributes to the wisdom, courage and calmness of the President were Bishop Potter, in St. Thomas's Church; the Rev. Dr. Minot J. Savage, in the Church of the Messiah, and the Rev. Dr. William Justin Harsha, in the Second Collegiate Reformed Church. The Rev. Dr. Francis L. Patton, preaching to the students of Princeton University, of which he is president, declared that the Nation owed Mr. McKinley a debt of gratitude.

### PRAISED BY BISHOP POTTER.

HIGH COMMENDATION OF THE PRESI-DENT'S COURSE EXPRESSED.

Bishop Henry C. Potter preached at the confirmation service at St. Thomas's Church yester-day morning, and made, in the course of his sermen, an impressive reference to the course pur-sued by President McKinley in his dealings with

Spain. Regarding the President, he said:
"And the sphere for such a courageous sympathy is to be found not alone in the family or in our social relations, but in those other relations which are civic or National. One there is to whom all our thoughts and hearts must needs be turning to day, to whom we may well give it in unstinted measure. Standing alone, in the midst of popular clamor and noisy passion, he has held himself serene, the servant of the State, but no less the servant of truth and justice and eternal rightcousness. His clear eye has seen that in the international problem with which to-day this Nation is concerned there is no wrong that may not be righted, no inhumanity that may not be (if it be not already) ended, no justice to the oppressed that may not be done by a wise use of the ordinary and praceful agencies of international arbitrament. A statesman who has himself seen and known the horrors of war, he is slow to invoke them. A sol-dier as well as a statesman, he has learned that war and bloodshed and wasted lives are but the last resort when all others have been exhausted. To-day he stands for that for which, as an ambassador of the Prince of Peace, it is my duty to plead—a peaceful settlement of the difficulties which are to-day confronting us.

"Over against him there are others who are clamoring for war. I presume that every criminal, every inmate of a jail or prison, every lounger in a barroom, every one of that evil brood that haunts dark places and plans dark deeds, is with such. Are you? Where ought a God-fearing people to stand to-day? What are you saying to your repre-sentatives in Congress, beset, as they are by noisy agitators and by men of sordid motives, or by partisans eager to magnify a quarrel with another nation into a ground for a foolish and unnecessary war, and to make partisan capital out of their clamor for blood? Some of these representatives are telling us of what they have heard from their constituents. What have they heard from you? Do you honestly believe that at this hour there is any wrong that may not be righted, any oppressed peo-ple that may not be speedly fed and succored without our flying at the throats of those with whom to-day we have a controversy, like so many builtes in a prize-ring? Shall we dignify a barbarism so needless by calling it by a name so false as honorable warfare? Stand fast, then, in steadfast support of our brave and wise Chief Magistrate, and entreat that He who has given him such rare wisdom and courage thus far may vouchsafe them to

### DR. SAVAGE OPPOSED TO WAR. HE IS GREATLY PLEASED WITH THE COURSE OF THE PRESIDENT.

The Rev. Dr. Minot J. Savage, at the Church of

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do what we would have considered was right for Spain to have done when the Southern States were in rebellion against us? The best men of the country agree that our President has shown an example of courage that will never be forgotten. Will the impulsiveness of Congress now overthrow all that he has done to place America in a favorable light before the world? Spain has refused our demands, the cry is. Were the communications of the President demands, or were they merely suggestions? If the former, were we quite justified in making them, and was Spain, from a point of view of just international law, culpable in rejecting them.

It becomes us to pray and think and search our hearts as Washington did of old, as Lincoln did when the cloud of civil strife rowed up from the South. May God grant that to-morrow the best sense of the Nation may prevail to avert the miseries, losses hitternesses and tears of awful war!"

THE NATION'S GRATITUDE DUE HIM. PRESIDENT PATTON SAYS THE PRESIDENT'S COURSE IS WORTHY OF THE

HIGHEST PRAISE.

Princeton, N. J., April 3 - President Patton at the University chapel service this morning addressed the students as follows:

We must all feel that this is a day of unspeakable solemnity, and as we meet in the calm and quiet of this beautiful Sabbath morning we cannot help thinking that it is perhaps the calm before the storm. There is a possibility—that our Nation will be involved in war, and I wish to say to you that war is not a think to treat lightly or in lest. War is horrible it may be that the cause of humanity will prove a sufficient justification in the present instance, but a war undertaken by this Christian Nation at this period of the world's history for any but the best of reasons would be a blot on our civilization. There are wars of course, which are weight in the best of reasons would be a blot on our civilization. There are wars of course, which are weight in the best of reasons would be a blot on our civilization. There are wars of course, which are weight in the highest evidence of American patriotism. The are are many who believe that there are a great many who believe that the resources of diplomacy have not yet been exhausted, and the sword to secure all that can be reasonably asked.

I am sure that I am speaking for you when I such a sufficient in the distance the bughe scand calling the troops to faithe, the larger is approaching. A crisis is approaching the bughe scand calling the largers of discord in the distance the bughe scand calling the largers of discord in the largers of drawn marshalling the troops to lattle. We read the signs of threat-cing war, even in the largers of drawn marshalling the troops to battle. We read the signs of threat-cing war, even in the largers of the mote of this beautiful Subbath was believe to discord in the treat and sensitive. Shall be presented which here is a period to war, and there is an approach to the industry of some prin

the sword to secure all that can be reasonably asked.

I am sure that I am speaking for you when I say that the President of the United States deserves the gratitude of the Nation for his manly course in these negotiations. He has borne himself with quiet dignity, and his patience, calm judgment and unswerving desire for peace are worthy of the highest praise, and have wan for him the confidence of all calm, neace-loving and sober-minded men. May God lay His hand unon the feverish pulse of the Nation! May the Governments of these two nations not be driven to undertake a war that must not only threaten bankruptcy and revolution and possibly worse calamity to Spain, but be costly beyond expression in the sacrifice of blood and treasure to the American people.

## A TIME FOR PITY.

The Rev. Dr. Minor J. Savase. at the Church of the Meetship steededs." On the Present Crisis. New Spath has a titch to maintain the threating of its kingdom of every manner has been been stated as admirted by all evillated peoples to be battained and mainted by all evillated peoples to be battained and mainted by all evillated peoples to be battained and mainted by all evillated peoples to be battained as admirted by all evillated peoples to the battained property of the battained people to be battained to the property of the battained people to be better than the people to be battained to the people to be battained to the people to be better than the people to be people to be better than the people to be better than the people to be pe

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and the divine right of kings, of, as it, heroarchy and hierarchy, and the hero among the people, the great man, the strong man, the capable man, competent to do and doing what the others could not do, was the sacred man among them, the divine man among them, the King, by divine right, coming, in the name of the Lord, ruling in the name of the Lord, who had given him the power to rule.

That old political doctrine, therefore, of the divine right of kings, looked at and interpreted in the light of its origin, is seen not to be an exploded doctrine. It is not obsolete; it still persists and survives—it is our political doctrine. Not always, indeed practically, but theoretically, it is our jolitical doctrine. And the person who is by nature the highest among us, the greatest, the sirong-oat, the best in character, in wisdom, in intelligence, in mental and moral equipment, standing head and shoulders in all these natural gifts, in all these natural qualities, above all the rest of the people, that he is the person among us who cught to rule among us, none other, whom the people choose to rule, whom the people appoint to rule when He made him what he is, with his natural bigness and greatness, and sent him into the world.

One of the assuring and comforting signs that this American Nation is meant of the front. At the heginning of our National life such men appeared, presiding over the destines of its history higherte such men have come to the front. At the heginning of our National life such men appeared presiding over the destines of its history which enter which God gave—coming in the name of them, standing head and shoulders above and condented presiding over the destines of the sirius-gling American colonies; guiding, governing ruling not merely by human right, which the people gave them, but by the divine right of natural gift and condoment and natural qualification, by divine right which find and trues and colonies and colonies and colonies and colonies and colonies and from for right for right no matter what

ARBITRATE, SAYS DR. SILVERMAN. HE THINKS THE SAME ENDS COULD BE GAINED

"Patriotism, Peace and Plety" was the subject of the sermon preached by the Rev. Dr. Joseph Silverman in the Temple Emanu-El yesterday morn

DR. FAUNCE ON INTERVENTION.

desperate resort. War has some incidental benefits. It furnishes opportunity for patriotism, devotion, physical and moral courage, but to wage war for these reasons is the nex of idiosy. What we need to realize is that the critics of desus apply to nations as truly as to persons. If both self-respect and self-searchice are binding on the Nation also. We cannot live under one code of morality in private and another in pablic. Is an international duel any more rational or Christian than a personal duel? Is it any wiser or more rational to ascertain National righteousness by a broadside from a hattle-ship of the explosion of a torpedo?

"The only reason which can justify a nation in "A KING BY DIVINE RIGHT."

SERMON BY THE REV. DR. DAVID II. GREER IN ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH.

The Rev. Dr. David H. Greer, rector of St. Bartholomew's Church. spoke yesterday morning on "A King by Divine Right," choosing the following texts:

And Samuel said to all the people, See ye him whem the Lord hath chosen, that there is none like him among all the people? And all the people shouted and said, God save the King. I Samuel, 24.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Matthew, xxl, 2

He spoke in part as follows:

## In the Central Haptist Church, in West Forty-

CARDINAL GIBBONS DEPLORES WAR Baltimore, April 3.-Cardinal Gibbons after his

following remarks on the threatened war:

On this day, when we commemorate the entrance of the God of peace into Jerusalem, let us implore Him that He will so guide the minds and hearts of the President and Congress, that He will so direct the counsels of Spain, that He may inside both Nations with a hearty solution to the problem which confronts us a solution honorable to both Nations so that the clouds of war may be dispelled and the blessings of heavenly peace may be preserved to the Nation.

Let us cherish the hope that on next Sunday, when we celebrate the resurrection of Christ from the dead, we may also be cheered by the inauguration of the dawn of goodwill between Spain and our own beloved country.

WAR AND ETHICAL LAWS. M. M. Mangasarian lectured before the Society

for Ethical Culture in Carnegle Hall yesterday morning, and said regarding the present crisis:



THE larger half of this week will be devoted to this Easter demonstration of our powers and advantages as purveyors of Merchandise. Saturday's enthusiasm and brilliant attendance is but the beginning of

what will undoubtedly prove a fete-week. Our thanks for your commendation of our Easter Decorations, so freely expressed on Saturday. Tomorrow we add the touch of Easter Lilies to the apple and orange blossoms which now bloom so freely through the store. The Rotunda will continue to be sub-tropical, with its oranges and palms and cacti, its brilliant winged life and its bird song. The little ones will be delighted with the four scenes "Pigs in Clover," "Feeding the Birds," "Where Eggs are Hid" and "An Egg Hunter," with their living and lively chickens and rabbits.

The three formal days of the Costume show are over, but not the showing itself. In deference to the present immense interest evidenced toward it, it will be continued to-day, in full effect. The new French Silk Waists are selling fast, but there are yet three hundred on view,—no two alike.

Some detail follows concerning the special attractions in goods and prices, but the half is not told here. The store as a whole represents the result of an extreme and universal effort to make it the natural center for the Easter business. Success has been attained by fitting the store to the occasion. It is an Easter store in all its details, and not the least of its attractions will be the fact that Easter bargains are included in its Easter decorations. Furniture THE Furniture Store is deter-

## Novelty Dress Goods

COME to-day to see the first of the last Novelties, - the very beginning of the end of the Spring shipments. These last goods are the handsomest of all, as they should be, since they represent the last and most studied thought of the designers.

the store. We cannot duplicate at these This last shipment includes both black and colored novelties. The colored goods are the strongest things we have yet seen, but with all their riotous color, their finished effect is smooth and harmonious, tasteful and indescribably rich without gaudiness.

The black goods suffer little or none in comparison. They have not the advantages of chromatic power, but they have a certain rich dignity which is all their own, and in variety and elegance they ask no favors from their more brilliant companions. As to prices:-

COLORED NOVELTIES High art silk plaid Crepon, in bright color combina-tions, having heavy bayadere cords in black silk and wool velours. Otherwise it would be among

and wool velours. Others the silks: at \$3.75 and \$4. Handsome sik-and-wool Grenadines, in large designs of bright colors and black grounds; at \$2.75.

Broche Bayadere silk striped and silk plasse Gretiae; at \$4.50.

dine; at \$4,50.

Handsome silk-and-wool plaid Barges, in the latest color combinations; at \$3.50.

Bayadere drawn lace stripe Matlasse Velours, in silk-and-wool; at \$3.50. Bayadere silk-and-wool colored plisse on black ground

Grenadine; at \$4. Grenadine; at \$4.

Handsome figured silk-and-wool Crepon figured Grenadine, in self-colors; at \$3,75.

Black silk Bayaslere Pliese on silk-and-wool colored ground Grenadine; at \$3,25 and \$0.50.

High colored silk Crepons, with black Bayaslere cords that stand out boldly in contrast; at \$0.75.

Bright colored silk Bayadere stripes crossing stripes of plack silk Velours, edged with white on two-toned amuse grounds at \$3.25.

I BLACK NOVELTIES

Silk-and-wool Crepon Bareze, with bayadere cords every two inches, holding the crepon in place; at 84. Silk-and-wool Plaid Crepon, with cubes of epingline grenadine melosed in the plaid; at \$4.50.

Escurial lace Crepon, with the crepon held in place by bayadere cords that add much to the effectiveness of the design; at \$4.

Silk-and-wool Crepon, with very faint bayadere stripes, with additional stripes of knotted ribbon, three in apart; at \$3. Silk-and-wool crepon, figured rep Grenadine; at

Handsome drawn and plisse striped Grenadine; at \$4 Bayadere plisse figured silk Grenadine; at \$5. Escurial face striped embroidered Grenadine; at \$4.

Open figures of drawn work and matelasse figured Grenadine; at \$4.50. Large designs in drawn work forming bayadere stope

in silk-and-wool Grenadine; at \$3 50. Handsome silk-and-wool plaid Grenadines; at \$3 and \$3.50.

# Third Floor Specials

This third floor is to be a center of interest to-day, if there is anything interesting in very good goods at very low figures. Besides the goods which regularly make that floor their temporary abiding place on their way to your homes, -the curtains and hangings and upholstery stuffs, -we have transplanted some Easter linen bargains from the first floor to the third, and you'll find them blossoming there this morning. For

example: HANDKERCHIEFS FOR WOMEN

Lot No. 1-300 dizen hemstitched Irish linen hand-kerchieft, good quality cloth; 12-inch hems; 95c. a dizen. Regularly \$1.25 to \$1.50. Lot No. 2-350 dizen tull Jaundered, hemstitched and revered hish linen handkerchiefs; six for 75c. Regularly 18.

for 60c. Regularly 15c. each. Lot No. 4-50 dozen lace edge handkerchiefs in three

good designs; 15c. each. Regularly 25c HANDKERCHIEFS FOR MEN Lot So. 4-325 dozen Shae hemstitched Irish linen

handkerchiefs; good cloth, handsome hand em-broldered mital, full range of letters; six for 75c.

Lot No. 5-300 dozen hemstitched Irish linen hand-krichiefs: two widths of hem; \$1,35 a dozen. Our own regular price \$1.50. A very fine quality of Huck Towels, damask bor-

dered, with fringed ends, at

25c. each, \$3 dozen.

A lot of Renaissance Center Pieces, Scarfs and Squares, of many kinds and patterns, and of a

200 White Bedspreads, in a number of very attractive patterns. The wolesale price of these, by the case, has been \$2,50 each. We offer you these at \$1.90

# More Silk Prices

We cannot renew our announcement of Saturday concerning remnants of fine silks, as Saturday's selling was short, sharp and decisive in that portion of the Silk Store, and the remnants vanished like snow flakes in August. But there are other values nearly

65c. Quality for 55c.

One thousand yards Cream Satins, of white, ivory white, all silk,

\$1 Quality for 75c. Three hundred yards Moire Faconne; rich ivory white, in choicest patterns,

\$3 Quality for \$1.25.

Two thousand yards rich Black Taffeta, | Twenty kinds of all black silk Brocades. \$3 kinds for \$1.50. \$2.25 kinds for \$1.25.

> \$1 kinds for 75c. Twenty-five styles of rich Black and White Silks:

\$1.65 kinds for \$1.

\$2 kinds for \$1.25. \$1.75 kinds for \$1.

\$2.50 kinds for \$1.25.

Black Silks, Colored Silks, Fancy Black Silk, Fancy Colored Silk, Wash Silk, Foulards, India Silks, Satins, Gros Grams, Poplins and Taffetas at one-half all previous prices.

At \$12,75-Large oak wardrobe; 8 ft. high, 4 ft. 6 in. wide, 2 large drawers in base; one shelf; double doors; heavily carved top. Regularly \$18. At \$12.50-Enamelled chiffonier; 5 ft. 6 in. high; shaped top 35x17; 3 large drawers in base; fancy shaped French bevel plate minor 24x14; cast brass handles; polished finish. Formerly \$18.

Matters. mined to be in the special offer ranks, and comes forward with

three very important items. We are obliged

to limit this offer to the specific pieces now in

At \$9.75-White enamelled bureau; 5 ft. 10 in. high,

20 in. deep; 3 large drawers in base, oval French bevel plate mirror 24x30; cast brass handles; highly polished. Regularly sold at 50 per cent, more.

WE have 610 Surprising Prices yards only of the kinds of Evenon Evening Chiffons. ing Chiffons which sell at \$2, \$3, \$4 a yard, and some of them are of a kind which command a price of \$6.50 a yard. That will

### be the kind which the early comers will get, for we offer the whole lot at \$1.25 and \$1.50 a yard.

Cream, Black, Pink, Blue and Maize are the colors, and the offer comes exactly at the time it is needed, -dressmaking time. They are the appliqued and richly embroidered stuffs which the Spring dresses de-

mand. Women's This is another of the especially good things to be found Neckwear. in the Neckwear section. It is a lot of Point d'Arabe Collars, this year's importations, of a grade which retails to-

day at prices up to \$9 each. Not one of

them is worth less than \$3.50, if regular

prices are fairly fixed, and the average regu-

lar price on the whole assortment would be around \$6.50. Choose at \$1.50 and \$1.75.

A few dozen new Point de Russe collars, the real \$3 kind, for

\$1.25 each.

ONLY a few of them, but Squares, of many kinds and patterns, and of a great many grades; twenty-five per cent, less than one many grades; twenty-five per cent, less than properly regular properly.

Pique Skirts. very good ones and very, yery good values. Plain white, gores joined with embroidery and

insertion, and all ready to attach to band. Twelve dollars would be a fair price for most of them. Some are really worth more than that. Take your choice of the whole lot at

\$9.25 each.

Easter Cards A SPLENDID variety in which are represented the and Booklets. best makers of Amer-

ica and Europe. Beautifully printed cards and booklets, and interesting novelties at

tritling prices.
Oblong Cards, 1c., 2c., 3c., 4c. and 5c.
Cross-shaped Cards, 2c., 3c., 4c., 5c., 6c. and 8c.
Folding Cards, 4c., 5c., 6c., 8c. and 10c
Booklets, 5c., 6c., 10c., 12c., 20c. and 25c.
Venetian Drops, 15c., 18c. and 25c.
THE WANAMAKER PACKETS—A selection of 20 choice imported Easter cards. The Packet, 25c.; by mail, 27c.

Sachets, in Easter designs, from \$1.50 to \$8. Novelties—a multitude of pretty sorts, from 5c. up.

The Humber, \$73. The Continent, \$45. The Continental, \$40. The Rodman, \$35. The Monarch, \$60. The Duquesne, \$50. A list of wheels and prices which offers the purchaser the best for the least, without any question. Bicycle Sundries, too, in perfect completion, and at lower prices than you have been paying, unless you bought here.

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He aid that, on the other hand, war developed courage and devotion, and that it was foolish to contend that war could have no good results. But the good results were incidental, the bad results direct. He believed that the American policy should be a policy of peace.

AN ALL-DAY SERVICE FOR CUBAN RELIEF. The Rev. Dr. Madison C. Peters announced bein the chapel of his church, the Bloomingdale Re-formed, at Sixty-eighth-st, and the Boulevard. The service will be for the benefit of the starving Cubans. Dr. Peters said. It will consist of "short prayers and lots of supplies." He added:

"I was at a meeting last night called to forward thousand churches and religious organizations had area teed to be represented at the meeting, but I counted those present, and there were just 125, including the newspaper men. Afterward as I walked meeting the newspaper men. Afterward as I walked meeting the newspaper men. Afterward as I walked meeting the newspaper men. Afterward as I walked meeting, in the cause they were hungry, but because they enjoyed it. The meeting was the saddest reflection on the patriotism of New-York. The stomach is king in New-York. thousand churches and religious organizations had New-York.

"Now, let us really do something. Don't bring your cast-off winter clothing-they don't need that in Cuba. But bring light clothes, medicines (especially quinine), canned food and other useful supplies."

De Peters, in the sound of the sound

the Christian and patriotic duty to stand by the President. "He knows all the facts in the case, and we don't," said Dr. Pet'rs.

PLEA FOR NATIONAL SELF-RESTRAINT.

BISHOP LAWRENCE URGES PEOPLE TO FOLLOW

THE PRESIDENT'S LEAD.

There will be heroism and sacrifice, but at what cost of National character.

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BISHOP LAWRINGE URGIS PEOPLE TO POLLOW
THE PHESIDENT'S LEAD.

Boston, April 3.—Bishop William Lawrence, head of the Entscoreal Church of the Diocese of Massachusetts, preached the sermon in the Emmanuel Church to-day, and it was a remarkable plea for an a honorable peace in our dealings with other nations. After his opening reference to the Gespel lesson the Bishop took up the Cuban question, saying.

"My friends, I am sure that you cannot have listened to the story of Jesus before Pilate without there having been borne in on you the sense of danger in which we as a Nation stand this very day. People sometimes wonder why in great crises the preachers do not turn all their powers of persons upon the question. I have been asked as bishop to urge every clergyman in this diocese to preach for peace.

"No. Sunday after Sunday for years the preachers and the Church have been doing their best to treat the control of the grandeur of peace. When a crists comes the cluters and the rulers speak, they represent the Christian sentiment. Church have been doing their hest to the companies of the companies of the rulers of the companies of the rulers speak, they represent the Christian sentiment Church of the saying and the rulers speak, they represent the Christian sentiment to remain the church have been doing their hest to the rule of the rulers again the rule of t